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SUBJ: ECOSOC INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS

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- 1. DEPARTMENT WISHES TO MAKE PARTICULARLY STRONG EFFORT TO SOFTEN BRAZILIAN RESISTANCE TO ILLICIT PAYMENTS INITIATIVE.
- 2. AS YOU PROBABLY KNOW, IN VIEW OF IMPORTANT ROLE CONFIDENTIAL

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BRAZIL HAS PLAYED IN OPPOSITION TO US PROPOSALS AT JULY 1976 ECOSOC AND IN RECENT CIEC MEETING (WHERE IT LED OPPOSITION TO SUPPORT FOR EARLY INTERNATIONAL AGREEMENT ON ILLICIT PAYMENTS), SECRETARY RAISED ISSUE WITH SILVEIRA IN GRENADA. LATTER REPORTEDLY RESPONDED THAT BRAZIL'S ONLY CONCERN IS THAT AGREEMENT DEAL WITH THOSE WHO CORRUPT AS WELL AS THOSE WHOE ARE CORRUPTED,

AND AGREED AT SECRETARY'S REQUEST THAT OUR DELEGATIONS WOULD WORK TOGETHER AT ECOSOC NEXT MONTH.

- 3. NEVERTHELESS, WE WOULD EXPECT OPPOSITION TO US ECOSOC PROPOSAL WITHOUT FURTHER SIGNIFICANT APPROACHES FOLLOWING UP SECRETARY'S CONVERSATION. DEPARTMENT THEREFORE PROPOSES TO SEND LEGAL ADVISER HERBERT HANSELL TO BRASILIA AROUND JULY 1 FOR HIGHLEVEL CONSULTATIONS.
- 4. REQUEST CHARGE CALL ON APPROPRIATE GOB OFFICIALS TO MAKE STRONG PTICH FOR GOB SUPPORT OF US PROPOSED ECOSOC RESOLUTION, USING REF A FOR BACKGROUND AND TALKING POINTS. IN ADDITION, YOU CAN (1) REFER TO VANCE-SILVEIRA CONVERSATION IN GRENADA, (2) POINT OUT THAT WE SHARE COMPLETELY SILVEIRA'S VIEW THAT AGREEMENT DEAL WITH CORRUPTORS AS WELL AS CORRUPTEES, (3) SAY WE LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING TOGETHER IN GENEVA, AND (4) REQUEST AGREEMENT TO CONSULT WITH DEPARTMENT LEGAL ADVISER AROUND JULY 1. CHRISTOPHER

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